

**NDE Bulletin**  
**December 11, 2014**



**Sped IDEA Consolidated Application (GMS)** Open: October 7 Due: December 15

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The 2014-15 Sped IDEA Consolidated application opened in the GMS on October 7, with a due date of December 15 (11:59 p.m.).



**Reporting Student Grades Data for Special Education Students in Regular Classes**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

When reporting the course code for Special Education Students in Regular Classes, use the same course code used for students that are not Special Education. The same course code should be used for all students in the same course. For example, if you have two Special Education students in a regular World History class of 20 students, all 20 Student Grades should have course code 150800 in Student Grades and they will all have the same NDE Staff ID for the teacher.

The Special Education course codes that begin with '19' should be used only for those courses that are designed specifically for Special Education students in separate classes.



**New "Student Summary Attendance Review" Verification Report Available in NSSRS**

**Validation Website**

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A new report is available in the NSSRS Validation website that allows districts to review summary data on Student Summary Attendance submissions. Report is called "Student Summary Attendance Review". This report can be found under Verification Reports tab, under the Membership and Attendance section of the Student Reports page on the website. The first part of the report shows how many students had Student Summary Attendance records submitted by reporting period, grade and school. At the end of the school year, a second report section will appear, showing the number of Days In Session reported in the CDC and how many students had total Days Membership less than, equal to, and more than the number of Days In Session.



**Special Education Monthly/Year-End Snapshot**

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*Public and State Operated Schools only*

This is a reminder for School Districts uploading their Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot. Please remember to upload a complete file of all special education students served with verified disabilities this school year in the first upload to 2014-2015 Year End Collection. Information uploaded to the October Snapshot submission window (2014-10-01) does not automatically carry over into the Year-end Sped Snapshot (2015-06-30). After the initial upload for year-end, individual records can be uploaded in the monthly updates. A monthly Special Education Snapshot must be submitted when there are new students in special education and whenever there are changes in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy or Speech Therapy services.

Monthly/Year-End Sped Snapshot templates should be uploaded into the **“2014-2015 Year End”** collection window, using the **snapshot date of 2015-06-30**.

The Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot is the source of special education data to be compared with data provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that occurs on the **24<sup>th</sup> day of each month** for the purpose of creating the Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS) claim forms/lists. Participation in MIPS is required by Nebraska Revised Statute 43-2511.

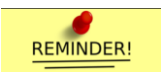


### **State of the Schools Report (SOSR) Calendar for 2014** *(Updated November 19)*

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

The following provides the dates when data and decisions will be available for review in the 2014 SOSR Preview prior to public release. Once the Report Card is released to the public, the data will not be changed so it is important for Districts to review their data. The 2014 SOSR Preview will be available through the NDE Portal.

Date	Activity	Public/District
Oct. 24, 2014	SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card released to the public	Public
Nov. 19, 2014	District notification regarding PLAS identification*	Identified Districts Only
Nov. 26, 2014	PLAS list added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card	Public
Nov. 14, 2014	NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data added to the 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview	District Only
Nov. 21, 2014	NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card	Public



### **NeSA-RMSW 2014-2015 Key Dates**

Contact: Valorie Foy (402-471-2495 or [valorie.foy@nebraska.gov](mailto:valorie.foy@nebraska.gov))

Key dates for NeSA-RMSW are presented in the following table.

Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-RMS Operational Test	January 30, 2015
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Additional information on NeSA testing is available at the Statewide Assessment Website:

<http://www.education.ne.gov/Assessment/Index.html>

## **HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK**

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

**All three ways get to the same place, so please only use one of the following options.**

**If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.**

1. Submit a “Helpdesk Request” from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

**OR**

2. Email: [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

**OR**

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556

Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

ALSO: If you have contacted your area's NDE Trainer or Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

THANK YOU!

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